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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Office of the Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

SUBJECT : South Vietnam: A Net Military Assessment

1. Attached for your information is a joint CIA/DIA/INR memorandum containing a net military assessment of forces in South Vietnam. The memorandum discusses the relative positions of the GVN and Communist forces in terms of manpower, logistics, fire-power, and qualitative factors. The memorandum also considers these capabilities under two scenarios: 1) limited action much as at present; and 2) a general offensive. Finally, there is an annex addressing the manpower and logistics capabilities of both Vietnamese adversaries, and an annex containing a division-by-division discussion of the opposing forces.

2. Copies of this memorandum are also being sent to the Secretary of Defense, members of WSAG, and the Directors of DIA and INR.

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